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**BREAKDOWN OF THE INCIDENCE OF CONFIRMED RABIES IN
LABORATORY EXAMS
March 2005**

Positive Animal County
Skunk Howell (2)
Washington (1)

Total Rabies Cases to Date: 7

Total Rabies Cases to Date-Last Year: 3

Negative Animal Heads Examined This Month: 191*

Positive Animal Heads Examined This Month: 3

Percent Positive This Month: 1.55%

Total Animal Heads Examined to Date This Year: 450*

Cumulative Exams and Positive Results - Year To Date						Total Rabies By Year
Species	#Exams	#Positive	Species	# Exams	#Positive	
Dog:	141	0	Rodent/Rabbit	23	0	2004: 59
Cat:	114	0	Other Domestic	3	0	2003: 43
Bat:	81	0	Other Wild	9	0	2002: 45
Skunk:	20	7	Exotic	1	0	2001: 40
Fox:	4	0	Unknown	0	0	2000: 50
Cow	10	0	Total	450	7	1999: 31
Horse	4	0	Counties On Alert: Howell Counties are placed on alert when there is a positive result on a domestic animal or when threshold levels for wild animals have been exceeded.			1998: 42
Ferret	0	0				1997: 31
Raccoon	40	0				1996: 26
						1995: 30
						1994: 27

*Includes unsatisfactory specimens.

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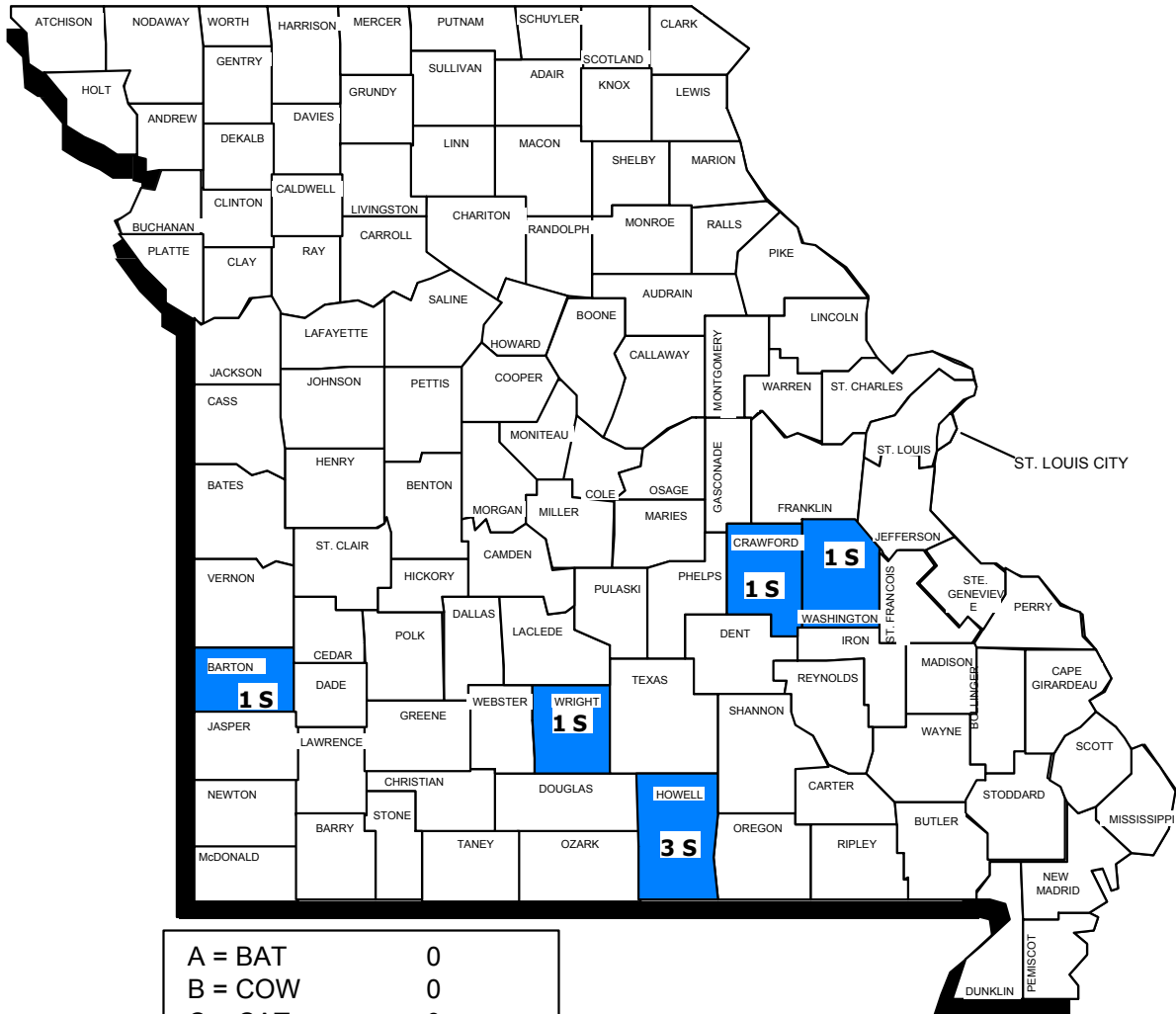
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Confirmed Animal Rabies in Missouri

2005



A = BAT	0
B = COW	0
C = CAT	0
D = DOG	0
F = FOX	0
H = HORSE	0
R = RACCOON	0
S = SKUNK	7
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TOTAL	7

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